

Cultural Resources and Historic Preservation

Prior to project construction, MCDOT conducts historic preservation activities for each TIP project. Depending upon the nature and location of the proposed project, our professional evaluations may include the following types of activities:

- Archival research
- Archaeological survey and site documentation
- Traditional cultural property evaluations
- Historic building surveys
- Historic engineering records reviews
- Site avoidance planning
- Archaeological test excavations to determine site significance
- Site mitigation excavations
- Repatriation of human remains and sacred objects
- Anthropological and ethnographic studies



Consultation with the Native American tribes and outreach with the public are important activities of the historic preservation planning process. Our standards for the confidentiality of records and consultation activities meet and exceed the current standards of anthropological and archaeological practice, as defined by federal law (Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act) and state law (Arizona Antiquities Act and the State Historic Preservation Act).